

# 10 YEARS OF HEALTH CARE IN DANGER IN THE MOVEMENT

HEALTH IT'S A  
CARE MATTER  
IN OF LIFE  
DANGER & DEATH



## BACKGROUND ON EVENT SPEAKERS

Opening Speaker:



**Dr Petra Khoury**

Director, Health & Care  
Department

International Federation of Red  
Cross and Red Crescent  
Societies (IFRC)

Dr Petra Khoury, who is a national of both Lebanon and the United States, brings significant professional experience from both countries. Most recently, she led the national COVID-19 response and vaccination plan in Lebanon and was appointed as the Chair of the national COVID-19 Vaccination Executive Committee. In this capacity, she developed and executed the operational response and vaccination plan and became the nation's scientific spokesperson on COVID-19 related matters, serving as the Public Health Advisor to the Prime Minister of Lebanon.

Prior to her leadership role in the national COVID-19 response in Lebanon, Petra served as Executive Administrator at the Medical Centre on Re-engineering the Delivery of Healthcare at the American University of Beirut Medical Centre (AUBMC), where she assisted the Director of the centre in programme management and evaluation. She was subsequently appointed as Chief Quality and Compliance Officer and joined the Executive Leadership Team at AUBMC. In this role, she had oversight over quality, safety, risk management, medico-legal, Joint Commission accreditations and regulatory compliance.

Petra holds a doctorate degree in Pharmacy from Lebanese American University in Lebanon. She trained at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH)-Harvard University in Boston, Massachusetts U.S.A, and specialized in infectious diseases. She also earned a Post-graduate certificate in Quality, Safety, Leadership and Informatics from Harvard Medical School. She is fluent in Arabic, English and French.

Moderator:



## **Kaja Sannerud Andersen** Senior Advisor Protection & Policy

Norwegian Red Cross

Kaja Sannerud Andersen has been working for more than 10 year with the Norwegian Red Cross (NorCross). She has a broad experience from humanitarian and advocacy work, with particular attention to Protection concerns. She also has operational experience from East Africa, serving as NorCross' Country Manager for Kenya, Rwanda and Burundi and Protection focal point for the broader region. She currently leads the HCiD initiative in NorCross and she is based in Oslo.

Websites/links: (1) Kaja Sannerud Andersen | LinkedIn

Panelist:



**Abdulkadir Ibrahim Haji "Afi"**  
Director of Organizational  
Development & Communication  
  
Somali Red Crescent Society

Abdulkadir is the Director of Organisational Development and Communication as well as HClD Focal Person. He joined the Somali Red Crescent as a volunteer in July, 1992 and later became a member of the staff holding various positions over the years. He has been an active member of the HClD Movement Reference Group since 2011 and supported in drafting HClD documents, key messages and tools for HClD communication campaign.

Panelist:



**Dr Juvenal Francisco Moreno  
Carillo**, General Director  
  
Colombian Red Cross

Medical Surgeon, specialized in Hospital Management and Auditing, and trainings in health and emergency response. More than 35 years of experience in Public Health, and more than 20 years in the Colombian Red Cross, first as Health National Director and since 2018, as General Director. Has been part of the Movement Reference Group of Health Care in Danger for many years and has promoted the HClD Platform in Colombia.

Panelist:



**Dr Manir H. Jega**  
Coordinator, Health & Care  
  
Nigerian Red Cross Society

Manir H Jega is a Medical Doctor and a Public Health Specialist with over 15 years of experience working in both Public and Development sectors. He has extensive experience in

implementing comprehensive programs in Nigeria in the areas of health systems strengthening, Human Resource for Health, Health Finance, RMNCAEH +N and WASH.

Websites/links: <http://www.texilajournal.com/public-health/article/2007-assessment-of-health>

Closing Speaker:



## **Kate Halff**

Director, Cooperation & Coordination within the Movement Division

International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

Kate Halff has been Head of ICRC's Division for International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement Cooperation since June 2020. She joined ICRC as Deputy Head of the Division in charge of Statutory meetings, policy and legal issues in January 2019. Until December 2018 she was the Executive Secretary of the Steering Committee for Humanitarian Response (SCHR) an alliance of seven of the biggest humanitarian NGO networks, ICRC and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC). Prior to these Geneva-based positions - including her position as Director of the Norwegian Refugee Council's Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre (IDMC) - Kate worked for over twelve years primarily in East Africa, managing humanitarian responses, as Country Director for Action Contre la Faim, Oxfam and Save the Children. During that time, she also worked briefly for OCHA and as a management and humanitarian consultant.

Kate Halff holds two Master degrees from Paris 3- Sorbonne, one in International Relations and one in Development. In June 2020, she became the President of the Humanitarian Quality Assurance Initiative (HQAI), of which she is also a founding member.